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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

This Response to Final Rejection and Request for Reconsideration is filed in response to the office action mailed December 27, 2005. Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the indication of allowability of claims 58-80, 86 and 87. No amendments are presented herein, and the principal purpose of this response is to determine whether Applicant's prior patent, U.S. 5,385,551, can properly be relied upon as an anticipatory reference. Applicant believes that it cannot. No additional fee is required for filing this response.

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